

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

## CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

January 13, 2016

Robert Hayle Hayle's Automotive 15801 Kutztown Road Maxatawny, PA 19538

RE: Notice of Violation- Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program Facility ID: PAS5A0110067

Dear Mr. Hayle:

Based on an inspection of your facility by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on November 13, 2015, and information received in your letter to us responding to our Information Request, your facility has been determined to be in violation of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. §§300f-300j-11, and the Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations promulgated under Sections 1421 and 1422 of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. §§300h and 300h-1.

## Specifically:

Hayle's Automotive is in violation of 40 C.F.R. §144.12 of the UIC regulations for operating a Class V injection well (floor drains discharging to a subsurface disposal system) which may allow the movement of fluids containing contaminants into underground sources of drinking water.

Such violation is subject to enforcement action under Section 1423 of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. §300h-2. This Section provides for the initiation of civil and/or criminal actions in court or the issuance of Administrative Orders which mandate compliance with all provisions of the SDWA and regulations and which may assess penalties for violations.

Because the facility inspection did not reveal a significant volume of wastewater disposal, the enforcement actions described above may not be necessary provided you

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can assure that no discharge from the two garage floor drains to the subsurface can occur in the future.

Within sixty (60) days of receipt of this notice, you have the option to (a) permanently seal the garage floor drains with concrete to assure that no wastewater with contaminants entering the drains can reach the subsurface via the septic system, or (b) seal the opening of the holding tank that has a discharge pipe leading to the drain field. The tank then will be converted to a <u>self-contained storage tank</u> that could be pumped out, when necessary, by a contractor licensed to perform this work. This option would permit the floor drains to collect wintertime snow melt from garaged vehicles, if required.

Upon completion of waste management modifications, please submit the following documentation to this office:

- Photograph of each drain before modification
- Photograph of each sealed drain or alternatively:
- Photograph of holding tank outlet before modification
- Photograph of sealed opening of the holding tank
- Letter from you, stating that you have had the drains or tank permanently sealed, as shown in the supplied photographs

Send all correspondence to the attention of Andre Hoyer, of my staff. Please include our mail code, 3WP22, on the outside of all correspondence to insure proper routing. We have included a return mailing label for your convenience.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter. A formal enforcement action with a penalty, as referenced above, may be initiated if we are unable to resolve this matter in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact Andre Hoyer at (215) 814-5461.

Sincerely,

Roger Reinhart
Roger Reinhart

Ground Water & Enforcement Branch

Office of Drinking Water & Source Water Protection

Enclosure